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| Title:      | METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR APPLYING RECEIVING<br>ATTRIBUTES USING CONSTRAINTS |                 |                |

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

This Amendment and Response is in reply to the Non-Final Office Action mailed Oct. 23, 2008. Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows.